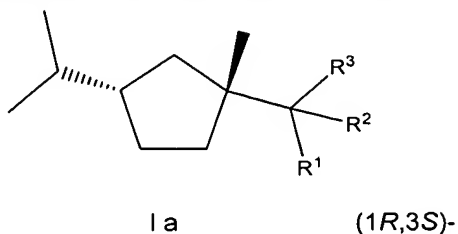


Claims

1. The use of a compound of formula Ia and the enantiomer thereof as fragrance,



5 wherein

R^1 is hydrogen or methyl;

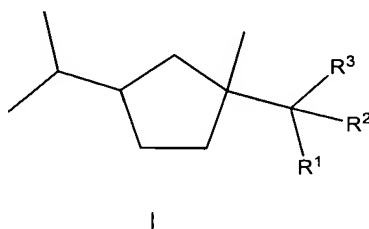
R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

10 R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

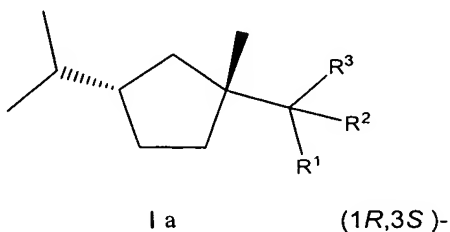
2. The use as fragrance of a compound according to claim 1 selected from the group consisting of [(1*R*,3*S*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]methanol, [(1*S*,3*R*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]methanol, 1-[(1*R*,3*S*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanone, 1-[(1*S*,3*R*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanone, 1-[(1*R*,3*S*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanol and 1-[(1*S*,3*R*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanol.

3. The use as fragrance of a compound of formula I



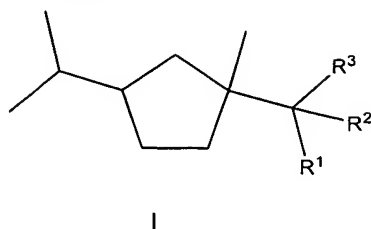
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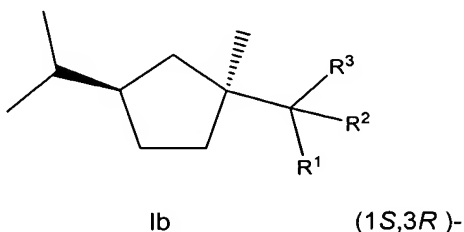


wherein R^1 , R^2 and R^3 have the same meaning as given in claim 1.

4. The use as fragrance of a compound of formula I



enriched in the enantiomer having the formula Ib

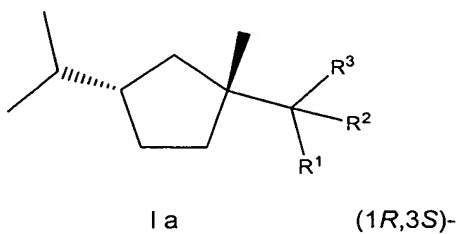


- 5 wherein R¹, R² and R³ have the same meaning as given in claim 1.

5. The use of a compound as defined in one of the preceding claims in fragrance applications.
- 10 6. A fragrance application comprising a compound as defined in any of the preceding claims 1 - 4.
7. A fragrance application according to claim 6 wherein the fragrance application is a perfume, household product, laundry product, body care product or cosmetic products.
- 15 8. A method of manufacturing a fragrance application, comprising the step of incorporating a compound of formula Ia or its enantiomer as defined in claim 1, 2, 3 and 4.

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9. A compound of formula Ia



wherein

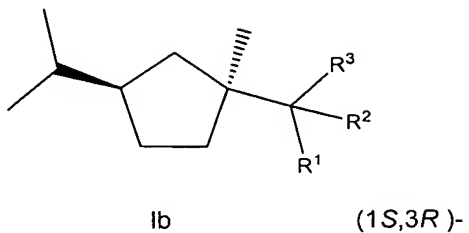
R^1 is hydrogen or methyl;

R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

5 R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

10. A compound of formula Ib



10 wherein

R^1 is hydrogen or methyl;

R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

15 R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.